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The latest report from the Department of Commerce said that tourism contributed \$3.6 Billion to Montana's economy in one year. HB 642 does NOT benefit our large tourism industry nor does it benefit Montana's tax payers, neither rural nor urban. By TAKING PUBLIC ROAD right- of- way for private use, this bill discourages tourist use. The County road bridges existed when current adjacent landowners acquired their property.

What this legally means is that this condition existed at the time of acquisition.

If a bridge end fence is required, fence from

the bridge end out to the 60 foot public R/W line and put a gate in at the bridge end. SB 78 will do this. County, telephone and power company maintenance needs the gate to provide service.

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